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## **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Westfield Common Council City of Westfield 130 Penn Street Westfield Indiana, IN 46074

Re: Viking Meadows Planned Unit Development Amendment

Dear Council Members:

Baker & Daniels, LLP, on behalf of Pulte Homes of Indiana, LLC, is pleased to present to the City Council Pulte's proposed plan to complete the Viking Meadows development. An aerial of Viking Meadows is enclosed for your reference.

Pulte has been active in the Central Indiana and Westfield marketplaces as a builder and developer since 1994. Nationally, Pulte is active in over 29 states, and it now seeks to bring its financial stability to Viking Meadows to complete the development in a manner benefiting the City of Westfield and the Viking Meadows current residents.

The Pulte team appreciates and understands Viking Meadows' original vision, and Pulte recognizes that existing homeowners currently reside in the development. The proposed PUD Ordinance modifications are intended to update the applicable development standards to meet the market conditions and to help to ensure Viking Meadows' successful completion while, at the same time, remaining sensitive to the fact that several homes already have been built in the neighborhood. Some highlights of the proposal are as follows:

- 1. Pulte will begin immediately to invest in the community by building homes and marketing in Areas A and B, bringing a fresh enthusiasm to the development.
- 2. No changes are proposed for Areas C and D (the large-lot single family areas east of the Monon Trail); Pulte plans to sell those lots to third parties (e.g., individuals and/or other builders).
- 3. The long-awaited amenity center will be completed.

4. A renewed focus will be placed on the mixed-use Areas E and F (apartment homes and neighborhood-serving businesses), setting the stage for a vibrant addition to the development that emphasizes the connectivity to the Monon Trail.

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- 5. The concept plan will be updated to emphasize the neighborhood's open space and to improve the connectivity between that open space, the amenity area and the Monon Trail.
- 6. Finally, a number of development standards modifications will be proposed so that homes may be built to meet the market demand while, at the same time, promoting architectural diversity through the introduction of new home styles.

We look forward to working with your staff and other interested stakeholders as we proceed forward in this endeavor. We appreciate the opportunity to be a part of the City of Westfield.

Very truly yours,

Steven D. Hardin

Attachment

cc: Mr. David Compton

## **AERIAL LOCATION EXHIBIT**

**VIKING MEADOWS** 



